

The Canadian Church Missionary Association

IN CONNECTION WITH

"The Church Missionary Society"

REASONS FOR FORMATION

1. To afford an outlet for the sympathies and liberality of all those who are in harmony with the Evangelical principles of the Reformed Church of England, and who desire that their gifts may be applied so as best to promote those principles.
2. To act in harmony with the system adopted by the Church in England which there elicits such deep sympathy and vast contributions for the promotion of Missionary work.
3. To open the way for placing in the Mission Field, whether Domestic or Foreign, many candidates who now desire to enter upon the work in connection with the C. M. S.
4. A connection with a great Missionary Society will make it easier
 - (a) To find fields where Missionary Workers are most wanted;
 - (b) To put them in the field to the best advantage;
 - (c) To place each man and woman in that sphere of work for which each is best suited.
 - (d) To secure that those who are sent out may be placed under the supervision and control of such a Society, and in touch with numerous and experienced workers in the same field.
5. Therefore it is advisable to form an association in connection with the Church Missionary Society of England on the lines suggested below.

Proposed Constitution

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NAME

This Association shall be known as the "Canadian Church Missionary Association" in connection with the Church Missionary Society of England.

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OBJECTS

- (1) To correspond with the Church Missionary Society and generally to act on its behalf in the Dominion of Canada.
- (2) To send Missionaries to the Mission Field occupied by the C. M. S., who shall be under the direction of the Committee of that Society, hereinafter called the Parent Committee.
- (3) To engage in Missionary work in such other fields, not occupied by the C. M. S., as the Providence of God may direct.

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MEMBERSHIP

Persons willing to join an Association based upon the above principles, and formed for the above objects, are invited to become members by payment of an annual subscription.

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GOVERNING BODY

There may be in every Diocese a Diocesan Committee composed of not more than eight members, either Clergymen or Laymen, who shall be elected annually by the members of the Association within that Diocese.

There shall be a central Executive Committee composed of two delegates from each Diocesan Committee.

The Officers of the Association shall be elected and the governing body shall be constituted by the Central Committee at its first meeting after its appointment.

The Central Executive Committee, shall with the concurrence of the C. M. S., appoint a Board of Examiners whose certification of the fitness of a candidate shall be accepted by the Parent Committee.

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MISSIONS

In all ordinary cases, Missionaries sent forth by the Association shall be supported by the Association, which shall make all arrangements regarding outfit, passages, allowances in the Mission and at Home, and be entirely responsible for them; no pecuniary responsibility attaching to the Parent Committee, unless otherwise arranged between the Association and the Parent Committee. But if a Missionary sent out by the Association should be appointed by the Parent Committee to a recognized post for which that Committee is already responsible, the Parent Committee may, at their discretion, undertake his maintenance.

The Parent Committee shall have absolute power to disconnect any Missionary sent out by the Association. This section shall apply also to women, whether Candidates or Missionaries.

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FUNDS

The Association shall receive contributions, either allocated by the donors, or to be applied by the Committee, to the following objects:

- (a) For the Association generally.
- (b) For the General or any Special Fund of the C. M. S.
- (c) For any special Fund or object approved of by the Committee.